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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in a Japanese Office Action mailed November 4, 2004 and some were cited in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report was included with the application papers filed January 18, 2006.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. As this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. Patent Documents are not included.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §(a)(3)):

An English abstract has been provided for the following references: JP 64-66010, JP 11-150795, JP 2000-115895, JP 8-318114, and JP 2001-177899. An English abstract and partial English translation has been provided for the following references: JP 2002-186075 and JP 11-314310. US6,818,092 is equivalent to JP 2003-1997197 although it is not stated on the ISR.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	6,818,092	November 2004	Cho et al.			
	5,554,722	September 1996	Eichenauer et al.			
	4,917,942	April 1990	Winters			

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						YES	NO
	64-44010	February 1989	JAPAN			Abstract	
	11-150795	June 1999	JAPAN			Abstract	
	2000-115895	April 2000	JAPAN			Abstract	
	8-318114	December 1996	JAPAN			Abstract	
	2001-177899	June 2001	JAPAN			Abstract	
	2002-186075	June 2002	JAPAN			Abstract & Partial	
	11-314310	November 1999	JAPAN			Abstract & Partial	



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